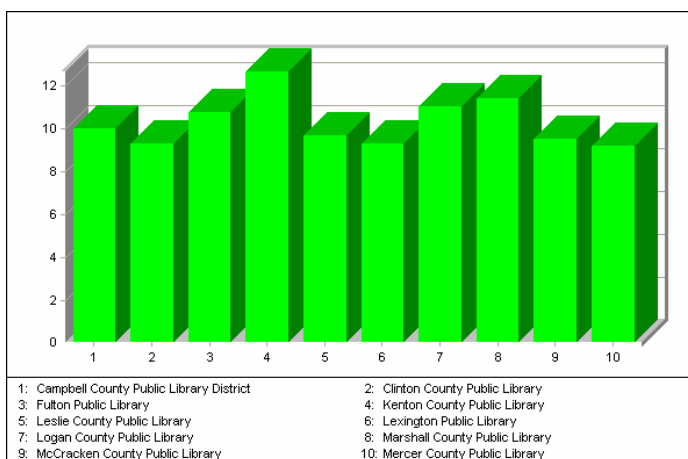


Kentucky Libraries are Changing with the Times

What do all of these events have in common?

- President Reagan and Soviet Party Secretary Gorbachev hold summit meetings on disarmament at Reykjavik, Iceland.
- The Simpson-Mazzoli Act permits millions of illegal immigrants to remain in the U.S. legally.
- Willie Shoemaker wins the Kentucky Derby atop 17-to-1 shot Ferdinand.
- Campbell Soup replaces the aluminum trays in its Swanson frozen dinners with plastic trays that permit the products to be microwaved.
- McDonald's and Burger King release ingredient information for the first time.
- Nintendo video games debut in the U.S.
- The Windows program introduced by Microsoft Corporation employs icons on the computer screen instead of commands.



Top Ten Libraries in Total Circulation, Per Capita, 2005-06

Can you think of the common thread running through these events? The answer is...it all happened in 1986. A lot has changed since then and libraries have changed as well. The recent release of the 2005-2006 Statistical Report of Kentucky Public Libraries reveals just how much has changed since the 1985-1986 Report was released 20 years ago. Statistics don't lie and some of them may surprise you.

Total book collections are up from about 6 million in 1985-86 to over 8.5 million in 2005-06. In the same period the number of registered borrowers are up from 1.2 million to 2.1 million. Total materials circulated has jumped by over 11 million, from 16.8 to 25.7. Total material expenditures have increased from around 2.8 million to 14.8 million.

Feel like interlibrary loan is busier than ever? It is. The 36,659 items loaned in 2005-06 dwarf the 10,619 in 1985-86. Do videos seem to be checking in and out in greater numbers every year? There were only around 2 thousand on Kentucky library shelves

20 years ago. By 1995-96 that number increased to over 100 thousand and there are well over 400 thousand on the shelves today. Total audiovisual expenditures have increased from about 122 thousand in 1985-86 to over 2.6 million in 2005-06.

Some statistics can only be compared with more recent times, because they were not recorded 20 years ago. Nevertheless, they show remarkable increases. The number of people entering Kentucky public libraries has increased from 10.8 million in 1995-96 to 16.7 million in 2005-06. Reference requests have jumped from 1.8 million to over 3 million in the same time period. Attendance at children's programs has almost doubled in the last 10 years, from 584 thousand to over a million. And then there is technology. Computers have had an enormous impact on public libraries. There were 485 computers intended for public use in Kentucky public libraries in 1995-96. Today there are 2,604. An increase of 437%!

What does all of this mean? People are using public libraries more than ever, sometimes for the same reasons as 20 years ago and sometimes for different reasons. The times have changed and libraries have adapted to meet the challenges of the 21st century. The statistics show that public libraries are healthy, growing and relevant in the age of the Internet.

Kentucky Public Library Standards Awards

The 2007 Kentucky Public Library Standards Awards recipients have been announced. Ten libraries qualified for Enhanced Level Standards and forty-seven libraries qualified for Essential Level Standards in the third formal phase of self-evaluation. Public libraries receiving awards this year are:

Enhanced Level

Boone
Bowling Green
Jackson
Jessamine
Kenton
Laurel
Lexington
Logan
McCracken
Nicholas

Essential Level

Adair	Graves	Mercer
Bath	Green	Metcalfe
Boyle	Greenup	Monroe
Bracken	Hancock	Ohio
Breckenridge	Hart	Paris-Bourbon
Campbell	Henry	Pendleton
Clark	Hickman	Perry
Clay	Hopkins	Pulaski
Cumberland	Knott	Scott
Cynthiana-Harrison	Lee	Taylor
Edmonson	Leslie	Trigg
Estill	Letcher	Trimble
Fleming	Lincoln	Union
Fulton	Madison	Washington
Garrard	Marion	Woodford
Grant	Marshall	

Kentucky Public Library Association Awards

Scholarships and awards were handed out at the Kentucky Public Library Association Annual Conference in Florence on April 26th. KPLA scholarships were awarded to McCracken County Public Library's Libby Childers, Kenton County Public Library's Michelle Mueller, Daviess County Public Library's Alicia Harrington and Casey County Public Library's Kathy Goode.

Kenton County Public Library Children's Librarian Patti Richards won the Miss Pickle Award. The James Harrison Outstanding Bookmobile/Outreach Award went to Bowling Green Public Library Bookmobile Librarian Tom Durbin. Rowan County Public Library Director Helen Williams won the Margaret F. Willis Community Library Services Award. Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives State Library Services Director Charlene Davis took home the Outstanding Public Librarian Award.



Charlene Davis [r] receives her award from Brenda Macy

KDLA Grant Applications

The Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives grant program provides subgrants to libraries across the state to help them meet the needs of their customers. The grant monies fund library programming, automation, innovation, assistive technology and tuition reimbursement. All libraries are invited to apply for the following competitive subgrants:

2008 Public Library Programming Subgrants: Provides funding to public libraries to enhance, expand and provide programming that will meet the specific need of their community. DEADLINE: June 29, 2007

2008 Planning for Automation Subgrants: Provides funding to public libraries to support planning and preparation for library automation. DEADLINE: June 29, 2007

2008 Library Automation Subgrants: 50% matching subgrants are provided to assist libraries in automating their systems. These subgrants are divided into two categories: Academic and Public. DEADLINE: June 29, 2007

2008 Library Innovation Subgrants: Provides funding for innovation, creative, technological solutions to service problems in libraries. DEADLINE: June 29, 2007

2008 Library Assistive Technology Subgrants: Provides funding to public libraries for technologies that assist patrons with special needs. DEADLINE: June 29, 2007

2007 Graduate Library School Tuition Reimbursement Grants: Provides tuition reimbursement to public libraries for public library staff that successfully complete

classes from ALA accredited graduate programs. DEADLINE: 30 days after the start of each semester.

KDLA grant applications and guidelines are now available online at <http://kdla.ky.gov/information/grants.htm>. The deadline for most of this year's grants is June 29, 2007. Any grant related questions should be directed to Laura Negron, laura.negron@ky.gov or 502-564-8300 ext. 304. If you are unable to access the applications or guidelines, you may request hardcopies from Donna Hedges by calling 502-564-8300 ext. 265 or donna.hedges@ky.gov. Federal subgrants are made possible by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives.



'Cross the Commonwealth

McCracken County Public Library was awarded a YouTube library-related video productions award during the first InfoTubey Awards at the Computers in Libraries Conference in Arlington, Virginia on April 17th. The award encompassed their entire series of seven nominated videos.

Eight Kentucky libraries have received construction grants from KDLA for building projects. Funds have been awarded to **Boyle County Public Library, Clark County Public Library, Lawrence County Public Library, Lexington Public Library, Lincoln County Public Library, Oldham County Public Library, Pulaski County Public Library** and **Rowan County Public Library**.

Lisa Jones is the new director of **Grayson County Public Library**. Edward Ellis has been hired to be the new director of the **Washington County Public Library**.

In October, 2006, the **Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Public Library** began reevaluating their video collection by placing an emphasis on children's, family and educational videos. All VHS videos were changed to 14 day circulation, fines were made similar to books, and children were allowed to begin checking them out. Within a few months of the policy change and weeding, the average monthly circulation of VHS began a steady increase. Six months after the start of the process, video circulation has increased 125%.

The **Breathitt County Public Library** has opened a new vision resource center. It features magnifying systems to help visually impaired people read, a scanning system that reads aloud from pages of text and computer software that enables people with vision loss to cruise the Internet.

The **Marshall County Public Library** held its 4th annual "I Love to Read Program". The library had 259 patrons participate in this year's event with a total of 2,694 books read.

The **Muhlenberg County Public Library's** Central City location held its Grand Re-Opening and Ribbon Cutting on Sunday, June 3rd. The renovated library features an all new kids space, teen space, leisure reading space, children's programming area, community meeting room and a Kentucky Women's Hall of Fame.

Leslie County Public Library has received a \$150,000 grant from the Thompson Charitable Foundation of Knoxville, Tennessee. Library Director Clifford Hamilton said the grant, which will be used for a building project, has no time limit on when the funds can be expended.

The Friends of the **Graves County Public Library** have donated \$2,000 to the library for the library's Summer Reading Program.

Barren County's **Mary Wood Weldon Memorial Library** received a \$1,000 community grant from the Glasgow Wal-Mart for the Summer Reading program.

The Friends of the **Fulton County Public Library** have received a "Community Service Award" from the local Chamber of Commerce. The Friends Group received a plaque and a check for \$200.

The **Campbell County Public Library** and Cincinnati Museum Center held a Dinosaur Dig at the Cold Spring Branch. Kids ages 6 to 11 learned how fossils are formed and how to make fossil casts.

Monroe County's **William B. Harlan Public Library** is organizing a Friends of the Library Group. Its establishment will fulfill a long-range planning goal.

July Continuing Education Events

11	Creative Resource Sharing for Administrators	Pulaski County Public Library
12	Creative Resource Sharing for Administrators	KDLA
12	Dewey Decimal Decoded, Part 1: Introduction	Erlanger Branch, Kenton County Public Library
12-13	Promoting Library Services Using Blogs and RSS	Online
12-13	Web 2.0: Social Software Applications for Libraries	Online
16	Trustee Forums 2007	Nelson County Public Library
17	Trustee Forums 2007	Caldwell County Public Library
17	What's Next? Planning for Tomorrow's Technology Trends in Libraries	KDLA

18	Trustee Forums 2007	Adair County Public Library
18	What's Next? Planning for Tomorrow's Technology Trends in Libraries	Mason County Public Library
18-20	XHTML: The Future of Web Design	Online
19	Trustee Forums 2007	Perry County Public Library
19-20	The Resource Sharing Detective: Citation Tracing	Online
20	Administration and Statistics in WorldCat Resource Sharing	Online
20	Trustee Forums 2007	Fleming County Public Library
21	Trustee Forums 2007	Woodford County Public Library
25	Web 2.0: Social Software Applications for Libraries	Paul Sawyer Public Library
25-26	Xtreme Web Searching	Online
26	Dewey Decimal Decoded, Part 1: Introduction	Henderson County Public Library
26	Web 2.0: Social Software Applications for Libraries	Somerset Community College, Laurel Campus North, London
27	Custom Holdings in WorldCat Resource Sharing	Online

To get the full list of KDLA sponsored continuing education events visit
<http://kdla.ky.gov/libsupport/continuinged.htm>

Trustee Forums

The Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives is sponsoring a series of workshops for trustees and directors on board development, including fostering new library board members and trustee advocacy - especially developing relationships with community leaders and politicians. Nancy Davis and Pam Fitzgerald of the nationally-known Ivy Group Library Services will be conducting the workshops. The locations are:

- Monday, July 16th in Bardstown, KY - Nelson County Public Library
- Tuesday, July 17th in Princeton, KY - Caldwell County Public Library
- Wednesday, July 18th in Columbia, KY - Adair County Public Library/Chamber of Commerce Building (201 Burkesville Street, Columbia, KY 42728)
- Thursday, July 19th in Hazard, KY - Perry County Public Library

- Friday, July 20th in Flemingsburg, KY - Fleming County Public Library
- Saturday, July 21st in Versailles, KY - Woodford County Public Library

All sessions run from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm (local time) and lunch will be provided. For additional details and registration information visit the KDLA website at:

<http://kdla.ky.gov/libsupport/continuinged/trusteeforums2007.asp>

Upcoming KDLA Workshops

Kentucky's Bookmobile and Outreach Conference will be held at the Holiday Inn: University Plaza in Bowling Green. Registration will begin at 8:00 am on Wednesday August 29, 2007. The conference will conclude on August 30, 2007 with a closing luncheon and keynote speech by Satia Orange, Director of the American Library Association Office for Literacy and Outreach Services, on "From Outreach to Equity: Bookmobiles Making Access the Reality" from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm.

Registration: <http://kdla.ky.gov/libsupport/continuinged/bookmoconf.asp>

The Kentucky Public Library Association and the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives invite you to participate in the first **KPLA-KDLA Library Staff Retreat**. This retreat was developed especially for library staff persons not in management positions. Topics such as library safety, dealing with difficult patrons, maintaining a positive attitude, and managing conflicts will be discussed. Dates & Locations:

- Retreat 1: September 4 - 5, 2007, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park
- Retreat 2: September 6 - 7, 2007, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park
- Retreat 3: September 25 - 26, 2007, Kenlake State Resort Park
- Retreat 4: September 27 - 28, 2007, Kenlake State Resort Park

Registration: <http://kdla.ky.gov/libsupport/continuinged/kplakdlaretreat.asp>

The **Network Administrator's Bootcamp** will be a hands-on workshop for library network administrators on Basic Computer Terms & PC Basics, Windows & Software Support, Networking & Network Applications Support, Internet Technologies & Safety issues. There will be a network available for use in all locations in each session. Twenty-four networked computers will be available in each class.

Enrollment is limited to 1 person per library or system. Each class will have a maximum of 24 people. Dates & Locations:

- Bootcamp 1: October 1-4, 2007, Natural Bridge State Resort Park
- Bootcamp 2: October 8-11, 2007, Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park
- Bootcamp 3: November 13 - 16, 2007, Barren River Lake State Resort Park

Registration: <http://kdla.ky.gov/libsupport/continuinged/bootcamp.asp>

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